

Torrance Herald
 Published Every Thursday by
 THE LOMITA-TORRANCE PUBLISHING CO.
 1419 Marcelina Ave.
 Torrance, California

W. HAROLD KINGSLEY Editor
 GROVER C. WHYTE Business Manager

Subscription Rates in Advance
 Anywhere in Los Angeles County \$2.00 per year
 Anywhere in U. S. outside of Los Angeles County \$3.00 per year
 Canada and Other Foreign Countries \$6.00 per year
 Single Copies 5c

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
 Published weekly at Torrance, California, and entered as second-class matter January 30, 1914, at the Postoffice at Torrance, California, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Redondo Beach visitors Sunday were G. M. Randles and daughter Marion, H. G. Randles, and Joe Farnsworth.
 Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tonkin of Los Angeles were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. Tonkin's mother, Mrs. Ella Tonkin.
 Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Randles of Pennsylvania avenue and Mr. and Mrs. William Groat of Texas spent Friday at Redondo Beach.

Easy Lessons in AUCTION BRIDGE
 New Series by WYNNE FERGUSON
 Author of 'Ferguson on Auction Bridge'

Copyright 1925 by Hoyle, Jr.

ARTICLE No. 24

Some time ago the writer heard of the dummy playing the hand, instead of the declarer, and that the mistake was not discovered until the completion of the fourth trick. An even more astonishing error has just been brought to the writer's attention. Z dealt and bid one diamond. A bid two clubs, and all passed. For some unknown reason A got it into his head that Z had obtained the final bid so lead to the first trick. What is still more remarkable, the other players didn't notice the error and Z proceeded to play the hand, and with clubs as trumps. At the completion of the sixth trick one of the players realized what had happened and called attention to the error. The case was referred by telephone to a member of the card committee of a well-known club. This player was noted for his sense of humor and ruled that Z must continue to play the hand, but that for the remaining seven tricks diamonds must be trumps. Truly a most remarkable situation and a truly humorous solution.

The trick bidder is with us once again, and this time the trick bid proved a costly experiment:

Hearts—Q, 10, 8, 7
 Clubs—K, 10, 9, 6
 Diamonds—none
 Spades—Q, J, 6, 5, 3

Hearts—A, 9
 Clubs—Q, J, 8, 5
 Diamonds—Q, 9, 4
 Spades—K, 9, 7, 2

Hearts—K, J, 5, 4, 3
 Clubs—7, 4, 2
 Diamonds—A, J, 10, 6
 Spades—4

No score, first game. Z dealt and passed. A bid one no-trump, Y doubled, and B passed. Z bid two hearts, A and Y passed, and B bid two no-trump. Z and A passed, and Y now decided that it was a good time for a trick bid. He figured that if he bid three hearts his opponents would probably pass and that game would be impossible. On the other hand, if he bid three clubs he would probably get doubled, and then if he bid three hearts his opponents would also double and thus give him game if he made the bid. For those reasons he bid three clubs and, sure enough, B doubled. Z now got scared and bid three diamonds, which A doubled. Y now had the chance he had planned for, so bid three hearts. B doubled three hearts, and all passed. A had the opening lead, and here's where the trick bid acted as a booby trap. A decided that he would lead the ace of clubs because of his partner's double of three clubs. His natural opening, irrespective of the three clubs double, was the ace of spades, so that the only effect of Y's trick bid was to indicate to his opponents the only lead that would defeat the three heart bid. The club lead defeats the bid one trick, while the spade lead enables the declarer to set up the spade suit and just make his contract. Y's trick bid was very fancy, but didn't produce the results expected, and the player who can obtain the maximum number of tricks is the one most admired. As a matter of fact the bidding is much more important than the play, but the latter is more showy and therefore more admired.

One of the surest ways to win tricks is by forcing discards. Your opponents have to guess which card to let go and, as usual with guesses, they guess wrong more often than right. On some hands, however, it is possible to force discards in such a way that the opponents have no defense. When such a play is possible an opponent is said to be "squeezed"; that is, forced to discard winning cards. Good players are always on the lookout for the "squeeze" play and are well pleased when they get a chance to work it. In the following problem Z had a chance to "squeeze" both A and B on the discard:

Problem No. 12
 Hearts—A, 9, 7
 Clubs—none
 Diamonds—none
 Spades—9, 7

Hearts—J, 10, 8
 Clubs—none
 Diamonds—none
 Spades—10, 4

Hearts—Q, 6, 3
 Clubs—none
 Diamonds—8, 3
 Spades—none

Hearts—K, 4
 Clubs—10
 Diamonds—J, 6
 Spades—none

Clubs are trumps, and Z is in the lead. How can he win all five tricks against any defense? Solution in the next article.

Cohan Picture And 'The Merry Widow' Coming
 Torrance Theatre Bookings for Week Include Big Features

When George M. Cohan wrote and produced that great sentimental comedy, "The Song and Dance Man," his object was merely to present and portray sympathetically a distinctive theatrical type—the typical small-time vaudeville trouper. However, Paul Schoenfeld, who adapted this stage success to the screen, and Herbert Brenon, who directed it, have broadened the scope of the story considerably.

The film version, coming to the Torrance Theatre next Thursday and Friday, not only mirrors the trials and tribulations of the song and dance man, but faithfully reproduces the whole colorful life of the theatre, even to the actual backstage operations during a performance.

Clive Brook, who was wounded while in the British Army during the late war, plays the role of a German spy in Rupert Julian's production, "Three Faces East," which will be the feature picture attraction at the Torrance Theatre Saturday. Mr. Brook's experience during the great conflict was valuable in lending realism to his performance, although he is characterizing a member of the opposite force—from those he fought with.

Other featured members of the cast of "Three Faces East" are Jetta Donald, Robert Ames and Henry B. Walthall. The picture is hailed as one of the most romantic and thrilling produced this season.

Mae Murray and originality are synonymous in the minds of motion picture theatregoers, who look forward with unusual interest to each new picture in which the bizarre little actress appears. And Miss Murray always keeps faith.

But in "The Merry Widow," the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture to be shown at the Torrance Theatre on Sunday and Monday, Miss Murray's touch of originality is expressed in a totally different way. To be sure, it is evident in the costumes, her method of expression and dances just as surely as before, but it is also exerted in the character she creates so well. The role of the pert little chorus girl who arrives in Monteblanco as one of the members of a stranded theatrical troupe, and in staying there becomes the richest woman in Europe, and in the end the queen of the country, gives Miss Murray the best opportunity of her career, which she grasps to its fullest extent.

"Seven Days," which is a Producers Distributing Corporation release, will show at the Torrance Theatre next Tuesday and Wednesday. The cast comprises the following players: Lillian Rich, Creighton Hale, Lilyan Tashman, Mabel Julienne Scott, William Austin, Hallam Cooley, Rosa Gore, and Eddie Gibbon.

Antonio Moreno is scheduled for appearance at the Torrance Theatre next Tuesday and Wednesday in the First National drama, "One Year to Live." Moreno is co-featured with Aileen Pringle and Dorothy Mackall.

E. D. Northrop, who is looking after his ranch near Escondido, was a weekend visitor at his home on Oak street.

FORD BOSMAN
 Concert Violinist and Teacher
 Late from Hamburg Conservatory
 And Teacher of Famous Pupils
 ANNOUNCES THE OPENING
 of a
VIOLIN STUDIO in TORRANCE
 Where He Will Teach Every Saturday

Only pupils that pass a musical ear test enrolled. No enrollment fee. Violins loaned to responsible pupils. For rates and further particulars, Write Box "B," Torrance Herald.

For Four Consecutive Years
 We Have Scored
100%
 In the U. S. Government Tuberculin Test

This is a record almost unheard of and it is positive proof that we are supplying PURE RAW MILK—with all the good left in it.

Phone Lomita 146-J for us to Start Delivery Anywhere in Torrance or Lomita

TORRANCE SANITARY DAIRY

Eggs—8¢ per dozen

SUCH would be the story if their price had followed that of electricity since 1895. But eggs are higher now. Almost everything is higher. The average for all commodities is 65% higher than before the war, while electricity is lower.

America's greatest brains have worked on electrical problems. New machines, new methods, new ideas have been perfected under our system of customer ownership.

Electric motors in factories, electric pumps on the farms, washing machines in the homes, electric cars everywhere—These are some of the benefits resulting from the vision and hard work of the electrical pioneers.

And yet the cost is lower.

Think of this the next time you see an egg.

R. H. Carroll
 President and General Manager

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY
 Owned by Those it Serves

Nash Ajax Sales Set New Records

With the automobile show season in large metropolitan centers drawing to a close, a survey of Nash-Ajax retail sales at the principal shows this year presents an illuminating picture of the gathering momentum that forced February production to 14,148 cars. Everywhere last year's record show business has been eclipsed by the bona fide retail sales of 1926. Shows in 14 of the principal cities record an average gain of 116.3%.

The automobile show, generally speaking, is an excellent barometer of public attitude toward a given make of car," said E. H. McCarty, general sales manager of the Nash Motors and Ajax Motor Companies. "And the public favor with which Nash and Ajax are regarded was never more apparent than at the present time. Not only were the Nash-Ajax exhibits at all shows centers of attraction, but public endorsement was made emphatic by a record-breaking number of bona fide retail orders.

"Because of the country-wide demand February, the shortest month of the year, with but 24 working days, was the greatest month in the history of the Nash Motors Company.

"In New York retail show sales for the metropolitan district were 98.5% higher than in 1925. Buffalo's increase was 53%; Philadelphia, 134%; Cleveland, 57%; Milwaukee, 38%; Detroit, 95%; Chicago, 210%; Minneapolis, 145%; Kansas City, 80%; Louisville, 72%; St. Louis, 86.6%; and Syracuse, 200%.

Increased production, even over the record-breaking February figures, is under way at all Nash-Ajax plants.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stanton went to Wilmington Sunday, where Mr. Stanton played shortstop for San Pedro in the game between that team and Wilmington. San Pedro won the game, which gave them the championship for the harbor district.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. French of Star street and Mr. and Mrs. George Reser of Sap Pedro were entertained at dinner Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Solomon of Los Angeles.

Call Torrance 291-M for a plumber. 2921 Andros Ave.—Adv.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a general municipal election will be held in the City of Torrance, on Monday, the 12th day of April, 1926, for the following officers:

Two (2) City Trustees for full term of four (4) years.
 One (1) City Trustee for the unexpired term of J. S. Torrance.
 A City Clerk for full term of four (4) years.
 A City Treasurer for full term of four (4) years.

There will be four (4) voting precincts for the purpose of holding said election, consisting of a consolidation of the regular election precincts established for holding state or county elections, as follows:

Consolidated Precinct "A" comprising state and county precincts known as,
 Torrance Precinct No. 1 and that portion of Lawndale Precinct No. 1 lying within the city limits of the City of Torrance, and the polling place thereof shall be at
 Residence at No. 2717 Carson Street, Torrance, California.

Consolidated Precinct "B" comprising state and county precincts known as,
 Torrance Precinct No. 2, Cotton Precinct, and that portion of Moneta Precinct No. 1 lying within the City limits of the City of Torrance, and the polling place thereof shall be at,
 Store room at 2203 Redondo Boulevard, Torrance, California.

Consolidated Precinct "C" comprising state and county precincts known as,
 Torrance Precinct No. 3, and Torrance Precinct No. 4, and the polling place thereof shall be at,
 Automobile Sales Room at No. 1316 Cabrillo Street, Torrance, California.

Consolidated Precinct "D" comprising state and county precincts known as,
 Torrance Precinct No. 5 and Torrance Precinct No. 6, and the polling place thereof shall be at,
 Garage at No. 2003 Gramerey Street, Torrance, California.

The polls will be open between the hours of 6:00 A. M. and 7:00 P. M.

Dated, Torrance, California, March 9, 1926.

A. H. BARTLETT,
 City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

SIGNS
 New Shop Opens in Torrance
 Snappy Work—Prompt Service
 Reasonable Rates

TORRANCE SIGN SHOP
 H. M. Lelegren, Prop.
 1420 Marcelina Ave. Phone 71-R
 Opposite Torrance Herald

A good Train to the east
 Continental Limited

This fast afternoon train, carrying composite observation car, standard and tourist dining cars, free day coaches and unexcelled sleeping car service, runs

Straight Through to Chicago

Lv. Los Angeles . . . 5:15 p.m.
 Ar. Chicago . . . 3:55 p.m.

(Third Day)
 Connections from San Pedro at 3:10 P. M.

Because of its convenient schedule, the Continental Limited is an ideal train for New York and other eastern points. Leaving Los Angeles at the end of the business day, it arrives Chicago for direct connections with all fast evening trains to eastern points.

Through Sleepers Daily
 Standard Pullmans from Los Angeles to Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Omaha, Salt Lake City and intermediate points. Also from San Pedro and Long Beach to Chicago. Tourist sleepers to Chicago, Omaha, St. Paul and Minneapolis.

THE CONTINENTAL LIMITED is an ideal train from New York and other eastern points because of its direct connection at Chicago and its arrival in Los Angeles at 8:45 in the morning.

Union Pacific
 221 BROADWAY CENTRAL STATION
 517 Pacific Electric Bldg. 5th Street & Central Ave.
 Phone Main 8900
 J. V. CARROLL, D. F. & P. A.
 101 West 7th St., San Pedro Tel. 1073

Daley's
 "IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PUBLIC"

Torrance
 C. M. Inman—Resident Mgr.

Post's Bran Flakes
 MR. POST MAKES BRAN FLAKES WITH CERTAIN PARTS OF WHEAT. EVERYBODY LIKES THEM BECAUSE THEY'RE GOOD TO EAT.

SPECIAL PRICE THIS WEEK MAR. 17TH TO 23D 10c
 Limit, 2 to Each Customer

BROOMS
 ONLY ONCE A YEAR DO WE FEATURE THESE GOOD 4 SEWED BROOMS AT THIS LOW PRICE

35c A GOOD HOUSEHOLD BROOM

Genuine Chinese Dishes
 Mandarin Chop Suey
 Hong Kong Noodles and Mandarin Chop Suey Sauce

REGINA PINEAPPLE
 A Large Tin 20c

DEL MONTE MEDIUM SUGAR PEAS
 No. 1 TINS 15c

Smile Minced Clams—2 for 35c

GOLD MEDAL MAYONNAISE AND THOUSAND ISLAND DRESSING
 8 1/2 oz. Size 25c

WE CARRY A COMPLETE LINE OF FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES IN OUR FRUIT AND VEGETABLE DEPARTMENT

SATURDAY SPECIALS
 RUSSET OR BURBANK POTATOES \$1.30 A LUG
 BUNCH GOODS—3 FOR 10c
 BROWN ONIONS—6 FOR 25c
 WHITE ONIONS—4 FOR 25c
 PIPPIN APPLES—6 LBS. 25c
 SWEET POTATOES—4 LBS. 25c

Easter Party
 The Beacon Drug Store Has All The "Fixings" Now.

Easter Baskets
 Easter Eggs
 Bulk Candy Eggs
 Fancy Easter Eggs

Everything for the Easter Party

How the Children Will Enjoy It!

Beacon Drug Co.
 Torrance